

Harbor Committee Minutes
January 11, 2011

Members present: Jerry Smith, Chair Pro Tem; Gary Russell, Charles Meech, Arnie Nelson, Tab Butler and Gary Krubsack, alternate.

Members absent: Michael Childers and Bob Kron, Alternate

1. Call to order.

Harbor Committee meeting called to order on Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at 11:03 a.m. by Chair Pro Tem J. Smith. A quorum of the committee is present as reflected in members listed above.

2. Review and approve the following Harbor Committee minutes:

A. December 8, 2010

Motion by C. Meech to approve the December 8, 2010 Harbor Committee minutes as presented, second, G. Russell. No discussion. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Discussion and/or recommendation to the Town Board:

A. Appointment of seated/alternate member to Harbor Committee

Motion by J. Smith to recommend to the Town Board that G. Krubsack be moved from alternate to the seated position to fill out the term of A. Fischlowitz, term ending March 10, 2012.

Second, T. Butler. All in favor, all aye.

An alternate position on the Harbor Committee is now open and will need to be posted by motion of the Town Board.

B. Determination of term ending dates.

Recommendation to the Town Board that T. Butler's term ending date will be March 10, 2013.

Discussion of Committee members whose terms will end March 10, 2011. C. Meech and A.

Nelson agree to serve for another three year term. Suggestion to make a recommendation to the Town Board now in case there is not a quorum of the committee at the February Harbor Committee meeting. Motion by G. Russell that we recommend to the Town Board that C. Meech and A. Nelson be appointed to another three year term following the expiration of their terms on March 10, 2011. Second, T. Butler. All in favor, all aye. Motion carried.

4. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair of Harbor Committee

A. Nelson nominates J. Smith as Chair of the Harbor Committee, second, C. Meech. All in favor, all aye. Motion carried.

Agreement that a vice-chair is not needed at this time.

5. Discussion and/or recommendation to the Town Board of vouchers submitted for approval.

No vouchers submitted.

6. Review and recommendation to the Town Board: Joni's Beach Ordinance.

Question of why this document is on the agenda. Agreement that the Harbor Committee was formed to develop a long range plan and feasibility study and would prefer to focus on that study and plan. Committee members will take a look at the ordinance.

7. Discussion of Harbor Feasibility Study

A. New timeline.

J. Smith will send a request to Mike Friis, Manager, Coastal Management regarding an extension of the deadline from June, 2011 to December 31, 2011 in order to have enough time for the

public hearing process since most stakeholders will not be on the Island until mid-May or mid-June. JJR will meet one-on-one with the stakeholders first.

B. Review list of stakeholders.

Keith Sowl, Town Foreman, has sent a list of stakeholders by email and a copy is available in committee folders. Motion by A. Nelson that we approve Keith's list and include all stakeholders inside the two areas Keith has shown on the map and that those stakeholders be notified by certified mail and the rest of the townspeople be notified of the public hearings by posting on the public posting places. Second, C. Meech. All in favor, all aye. Motion carried. J. Smith will email the list of stakeholders to JJR by the end of the week.

8. Grant Review

A. Wisconsin Coastal Management

Mike Friis, manager had approved J. Smith and A. Fischlowitz at \$100/hr to attend meetings. J. Smith will use the \$100/hr for each committee member who attended a meeting and will also include the mileage to attend meetings calculated at the approved IRS mileage rate. J. Smith also included office work he performed for the committee and asked that committee members who have office time send their hours to him by email. Once the list is finalized J. Smith will give this list of committee expenses to Barb Nelson, Administrative Assistant so Barb can include those expenses with the bills she sends out to Coastal Management for the request of 40% reimbursement.

J. Smith said that at this time there is \$6,000 of billable hours. Coastal Management will pay 40% of that amount.

B. Island Matching Fund

C. Meech said the concept of this fund is illegal and cites Attorney Fauerbach's opinion regarding the offer of citizens to pay for an outside consultant to rewrite the zoning ordinance. Discussion that the funds for the Harbor project are for a study which has been approved and does not affect legislation so if people want to contribute to the Island Matching Fund that is fine. More discussion. The Committee will look at the opinion.

C. Reclassification of La Pointe Harbor

A. Nelson said the Army Corp Classification of the harbor is based on tonnage, and does not know how the classification can be changed.

J. Smith said changing the classification would take an act of Congress but perhaps an exemption could be granted to island harbor communities. Most harbors are not on islands and can receive supplies by road; island harbor communities can receive goods only by water.

Motion to authorize J. Smith to research the reclassification of the La Pointe Harbor and find out what the tonnage qualifications are. Discussion that in order for a special exemption to be granted several islands would have to get on board to lend support.

9. Three Year Harbor Plans

The Three Year Harbor plans have to be on file each year in order to receive money if money is available. After discussion, agreement by the committee to keep the plans and monetary amounts the same but to change the dates. The plans will be sent to the Town Board for approval.

10. Budget review.

Nothing new.

11. Set next meeting and agenda.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.

12. Adjourn.

Motion by A. Nelson to adjourn, second, C. Meech. All in favor, all aye, motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

Minutes taken from recorder and respectfully submitted by Kathy Erickson, Clerical Assistant.

Minutes approved as presented February 8, 2011